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Amendments to the Claims

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application.

- 1. (Canceled)
- 2. (Currently Amended) An isolated EN-RAGE peptide having the N-terminal amino acid sequence shown in SEQ. ID. NO:2 comprising the amino acid sequence shown in SEQ. ID. NO:2.
- 3-14. (Canceled)
- 15. (Currently Amended) A composition comprising an EN-RAGE peptide or fragment thereof and a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier, wherein the peptide has the N-terminal amino acid sequence shown in SEQ. ID. NO.2 comprises the amino acid sequence shown in SEQ. ID. NO:2.
- 16-69. (Canceled)